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DEFAULTING TELECOM COMPANIES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to take action against those telecom companies which have not fulfilled the condition of creating network after obtaining the licence as reported in the New Delhi edition of Dainik Jagran dated January 06, 2007; and

(b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) & (b) Access Service Licensee Companies providing telecom services are required to fulfill roll-out obligations according to their respective licence agreements. For any delay in fulfillment of these obligations, there is provision for imposing Liquidated Damages.

The fulfillment of obligations by these licensees are reviewed on a regular basis and actions are taken as per the provisions of the licence agreement.